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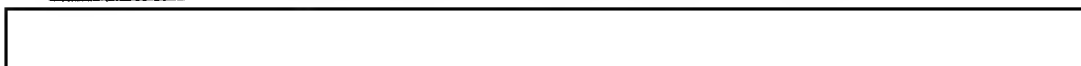
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TUNISIA: Libyan endorsement for the "revolutionary" Moroccan officers who attempted a coup on 10 July has revived latent Tunisian fears that the radical regime in Tripoli may underwrite Tunisian dissidents. Early this week, the Tunisian ambassador in Washington, in making an "urgent request" to the US for transportation and communications equipment for the police and gendarmerie, described Qadhafi as a very dangerous leader who would not hesitate to support troublemakers in neighboring countries. He feared that Qadhafi would use Libya's considerable financial resources toward these ends. Tunis is also approaching other friendly governments for military assistance.

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